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The Honorable Mike Johnson Speaker U.S. House of Representatives Washington D.C. 20515

The Honorable Chuck Schumer Majority Leader U.S. Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Hakeem Jeffries Minority Leader U.S. House of Representatives Washington D.C. 20515

The Honorable Mitch McConnell Minority Leader U.S. Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Speaker Johnson, Majority Leader Schumer, Minority Leader Jeffries, and Minority Leader McConnell, and

On behalf of more than 155,000 members of the Transport Workers Union of America (TWU), the largest airline workers union in the U.S., I write to express our strong support for H.R. 3935, as amended, and to encourage you to bring it to the floor for final passage as quickly as possible. This bill is the result of more than a year of bipartisan, bicameral negotiations and will undoubtedly make our national airspace safer, improve the working conditions of airline workers, and return good, union jobs to the U.S.

Importantly, the bill increases safety and security standards at foreign aircraft maintenance facilities by ending the FAA incentives that have long driven airlines to offshore good union jobs. It installs meaningful protections against the threat of assault on the job; rejects an attempt by airlines to exempt themselves from state and local labor standards; helps to combat toxic cabin air; and ends the unsafe practice of dispatching commercial aircraft from unsecure locations. These important provisions will strengthen our national airspace and ensure commercial air travel remains the safest form of transportation.

The current extension of FAA authorization is set to expire on Friday, May 10. To ensure that this vital legislation is enacted before that date, we urge

you to reject any poison-pill amendments that would unnecessarily draw out consideration of this long-overdue, must-pass bill.

The TWU unequivocally supports H.R. 3935 and we look forward to seeing it enshrined in law in the immediate future.

Sincerely,

John Samuelsen International President

CC: The Honorable Sam Graves The Honorable Maria Cantwell The Honorable Rick Larsen The Honorable Ted Cruz